

# COMICADEMY NETWORKS

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## Purpose and Structure of the Forum

Comicaademy Networks forums serve as an exchange between participants in the Comicaademy Training Program, the members of the Comicaademy Scribble clubs, the teachers and other members of the Comicaademy - School of Comic Arts. Compliance with the rules for the user to use the forums should guarantee a peaceful and civilized coexistence and to promote fruitful discussions.

The Comicaademy reserves the right to expand, unannounced, and adjust the following rules and declarations.

## Comicaademy Forums

There are the following forums in Comicaademy Networks:

- The **news forum** is used for official announcements and news of Comicaademy to members of the Comicaademy Scribble Club.
- In **Support: Question and Answer Forum** users ask Comicaademy Administration questions regarding technical issues or content. We ask for a directed, precise wording of the questions, because only then is a successful troubleshooting possible.
- The **discussion forum** serves as a platform for a factual discussion on various topics in the field of comics and drawings to the users. Contributions should have a certain standard regarding contents and linguistics.
- Private conversations can be conducted in the **Social Forum**. The selection of topics is free (in the context of netiquette) and excesses are desirable.
- In the **criticism and "wish-yourself-something,, forum**, there is room for criticism and suggestions from the users to the Comicaademy. Insults should be avoided. Any bona-fide criticism is always welcome. In particular, the Comicaademy Scribble Club can be improved through the criticism and knowledge of the wishes of the members.

## Netiquette

### Rules

- All users are to be treated with respect.
- New topics for discussion are to be provided with a meaningful title.
- The content of a discussion topic (thread), including all contributions must be read before writing your own contribution.
- Contributions should be informative and have a meaningful content, i.e. they should contain complete sentences and not mere emoticons, etc.
- Contributions should refer to the topic of discussion: A successful forum contribution "contributes" something to the discussion.
- We ask newcomers to be patient. A couple of friendly tips and a little support are always more helpful than ridicule or insults.
- Spelling is to be adhered to: in particular, writing permanently in capital letters is prohibited.

### Prohibitions

- Flaming, i.e. the sending of "hate messages" with abusive content or personal attacks is prohibited. Also in cases of disagreement, discussions will be conducted objectively.
- Advertisement of any kind is prohibited where there is no clear, written consent on the part of Comicaademy.
- Discussion topics should not be duplicated.
- Offering, selling, promoting or supporting the distribution of pirated copies is prohibited.
- Pornographic, racist, extremist, sexist or otherwise illegal contents are forbidden.

### Consequences

- Unauthorized and improper advertising will be removed. The Comicaademy reserves the right to take legal action.
- A breach of netiquette leads to admonition by the administration. In cases of repeated violation of the user rules, the member will be warned and when necessary suspended.

## Other

- The laws of the Federal Republic of Germany apply throughout Comicaademy Networks. This also applies to members who live outside the borders of Germany, residing there, or have any other nationality.
- The Comicaademy does not carry out prior censorship, i.e. separate control of discussion contents. The author is solely responsible for the content of any message.
- The Comicaademy reserves the right to make its own decision, without justification and without notice, to delete, change or move topics for discussion and /or posts.